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Biographical Note

Elwood Haynes was born October 14, 1857, in Portland, Indiana, to Jacob March and Hilinda (Haines) Haynes. He attended school at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, Massachusetts, and at Johns Hopkins University, studying chemistry and biology. After teaching school in Indiana for a few years, Haynes joined the Portland Natural Gas and Oil Company during the Gas Boom. He moved to Kokomo, Indiana, in 1892, and began work on an automobile after watching his horse struggle to navigate inadequate rural roads. The first successful test of his invention, which is considered either the first or the second American automobile, was on July 4, 1894, outside Kokomo.

A life-long inventor, Haynes also created a type of stainless steel as well as other alloys. He married Bertha B. Lanterman on October 21, 1887, and they had two children. Haynes died April 13, 1925 in Kokomo.

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